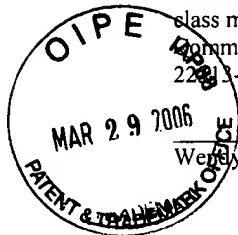


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Dear Sir:

**RESPONSE TO OFFICE ACTION AND
REQUEST FOR RECONSIDERATION**

In response to the Office action mailed on December 27, 2005, Applicants hereby respond as follows. It is believed that there is no additional fee associated with the filing and consideration of this amendment, however, **should the Commissioner decide that any fee or fee deficiency is due, the Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any and all fees incurred as a result of entering this amendment and response to Deposit Account number 03-0172.**